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Group: 1636

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Preliminarily amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amend the claims as follows.

Claim 8, line 1, delete "any one of claims 5 to 7" and insert --claim 5--.

Claim 12, line 1, delete "or claim 11".

Claim 13, line 1, delete "or claim 11".

Claim 14, line 1, delete "any one of claims 10 to 13" and insert --claim 10--.

Claim 15, line 1, delete "any one of claims 10 to 13" and insert --claim 10--.

Claim 17, line 1, delete "any one of claims 10 to 16" and insert --claim 10--.

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